# THE BILGE

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#### COMMODORE'S REPORT MAY, 2016

hen we started on the journey as your Commodore last fall, Opening Day and our Centennial celebration seemed a long way off into the future. As I write this we are less than four weeks away; and as you read this, we are only days until the fun begins.

Marc Fleming, Opening Day Chairperson, and his committees have been working hard to create "A Great Escape" that we will all enjoy. Elsewhere in *The Bilge Pump* should

be a schedule of activities. One of the joys of going through the chairs is the opportunity to participate with our counterparts in some of the Seattle Yacht Club activities. We will be attending a men's lunch, a Grand 14 Reception, and both the Opening and Closing ceremonies. We will work this in around the events going on at our own club. Of course the boat parade is a major highlight. This year our club will have two officers' boats in the parade. The first is the traditional officers' boat, which will again be Eric and Barb Wood's *BarbEric*. This year we have been granted permission to have a second boat with our Centennial Past Commodores. Bill Gray has offered his Defever 61 to host the Past Commodores. If all

100 YEARS

John Rogers

go as planned we will be the first two boats in the "Club Officers' Salute" class of yacht. As of this writing I have heard that 15 Past Commodores and spouses have signed up to go through the parade. I want to thank everyone in advance for working hard to make Opening Day a success at Queen City.

of the Queen City Yacht Club

Your Centennial Committee under the leadership of Sandy Werner has also been working hard to create a great birthday party for the club. By now you should be seeing the Centennial logo appearing all over the club, including *The Bilge Pump* mast-

head, clothing items, invitations, stationery, etc. I have been using the logo on thank you notes for several months. The club entryway project should be completed. I think it looks great and want to thank the AAC and Grounds committees for taking on this project. We are almost ready to unveil the Centennial monument that has been donated by the Past Commodores' club. The Centennial gala dinner on May 14th has been sold out for a while. The committee has worked very hard to make this special. Of course everyone is invited to the Centennial Open House, which will be the following day on Sunday, May 15th. We plan to unveil the Centennial monument during this event. Our Centennial celebration

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will not be completed with these events, as the plan is to carry on the Centennial theme during our major Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor Day cruises. So enjoy the Centennial. It only comes around once every 100 years.

Another major project that was underway in April should now be completed. I am referring to the Dock 3 mitigation work to remove up to 88 old pilings and skirting. This was a requirement of the Dock 1 expansion. If you don't know, back in the early 50's the club built the original dock south of our property line. When the new Dock 3 was built the old pilings were abandoned. Sea and Shore Construction was able to start the removal process a couple of weeks earlier than our original schedule,

> REMINDER: BILGE PUMP DEADLINE IS THE 10<sup>TH</sup> OF EACH MONTH

which was to our advantage. We did not want to impact Opening Day. One work slip had to be repositioned to allow the barge to pass by which required temporarily moving three boats to the reciprocal dock and the "U." I want to thank those captains for their understanding and timely action.

As I finish up this article we are getting ready to leave and head out to the Daffodil Boat Parade at the Tacoma Yacht Club. Dorothy Dubia has coordinated a full weekend of fun. The *Big Brivet* will be our Officers' Flag boat in the parade and the classic 1910 *Keewaydin*, owned by Todd Glass, will be the decorated boat. We have a new team of members who have volunteered to represent us in the music trivial contest. This is a fun but challenging event.

It takes a great team of members to bring all of the above together and I want to thank everyone. When all is said and done, fun on the water is really what all of the above is about.

-John Rogers, Commodore





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#### VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

#### **NEW DINGHY RACK**

An additional feature has been added to our dock that should be of great benefit to the QCYC membership. Next to our dockmounted davit and pump-out station we have added a removable dinghy rack. The rack consists of two large staples that fit into permanently installed sockets in the dock. The rack is located so that when the dock- mounted davit is used to lift your dinghy, the davit can be swung to place your dinghy directly over the rack and your dinghy can then be lowered onto the racks for cleaning or servicing. Previously saw horses were used for this purpose, so the rack represents a huge improvement. Captain Jerry Zuvich led the design, manufacture and installation of the new rack, so a big "Thank You" goes to Jerry.

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An ongoing audit is being conducted that records member compliance with our existing rules requiring members to provide evidence of insurance and registration requirements. The evidence of insurance requires a minimum of \$500,000 of liability coverage, verification of pollution liability coverage, and must have OCYC named as an "additional insured." A current copy of the Washington State registration is also required to be on file. Your attention and compliance with these requirements is appreciated. In the cases of noncompliance, a letter will be sent to the offending members noting that having these things on file is a condition of having moorage at Queen City Yacht Club.

#### **MOORAGE PLACARDS**

For mooring members, each slip has a plastic placard holder attached adjacent to the slip. Each of these holders ideally contains a card that lists the boat owner, boat name, emergency contact

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information and whether the boat contains either gas or diesel fuel. Over time, boats have moved, acquired new owners, or the placards have otherwise gone missing. Each mooring member should ensure their placard is available and contains the correct current information. Not only will it assist in quickly locating the owner in an emergency, it is a requirement to be in compliance with the fire code. Placards may be requested from Deborah in the Queen City office.

*—Dave Bedner, Vice Commodore* 

## REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

Greetings,

Spring 2016 has arrived and Queen City Yacht Club will experience a once in a lifetime celebration. With Opening Day and Centennial events, May is a special month in the history of the club. Our club membership, under Membership Chairman Chris Benson's direction, is now at 400 Active Members and we have pending applications waiting to be approved. Membership is alive and well at QCYC.

The Centennial garden looks great! Special thanks to the AAC Committee and Doug Hendrickson, John and MaryLouise Alving, Andy Gerde (lighting), Maple Crest Electrical and landscaper Derek Flowers. Great job!

Security Chairman Wolfgang Werner has recently completed a computer software update which will improve our security system. This update improves gate and lockdown procedures at the Mainstation for special events, as well as normal operations.



With the busy season, please take a few minutes to review the "Parking Rules" in the Annual. If we all follow the rules, there will be no need for notices on vehicles. Obviously no one wants their vehicle towed.

*—John Hieber, Rear Commodore* 

#### **OUTSTATION REPORT**

e just celebrated another successful Outstation Work Party! Why do I call it a celebration? It was because we got so much done, everyone was pleased with the results, and the weather could not have been better!

Over fifty people participated — some came early, some stayed late. The yard has never looked better and the inside of the clubhouse was cleaned, organized and even had some fresh paint applied in some areas. I find myself just walking into the pantry and smiling at how tidy it is! (Think I've been living with Old-What's-His-Name too long...)

Thank you to all that came by car or boat. Your help has made this facility the best Outstation in the Grand Fourteen. Now we're ready for summer!

Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day are fast approaching. You'll see in the Annual and online who is chairing, and they're always looking for help. Please call them if you like to cook, decorate, clean up, etc.

Another thankyou goes to the Tarettes. This year they bought the Outstation a new dock cart. We just love it! For starters, the tires are solid, so no more flat tires. It's light weight, yet can hold up to 300 lbs. It fits through the front door with ease, and can be maneuvered up and down the ramp without hitting the newly painted rail. Thank you, Tarettes, again, for this new addition!

There will be a predicted log race here at the Bainbridge Outstation on May 19-21, so the docks will be full of Club and visitors' boats. Observers are always needed and this is the best way to see what log racing is all about.

Eric and I leave May 16th for northern waters and will return end-September. Denny and Dale Ward will be left in charge - be sure to ask them if they need help with the yard, such as watering or mowing, or anything else.

Happy cruising, —*Barb* 

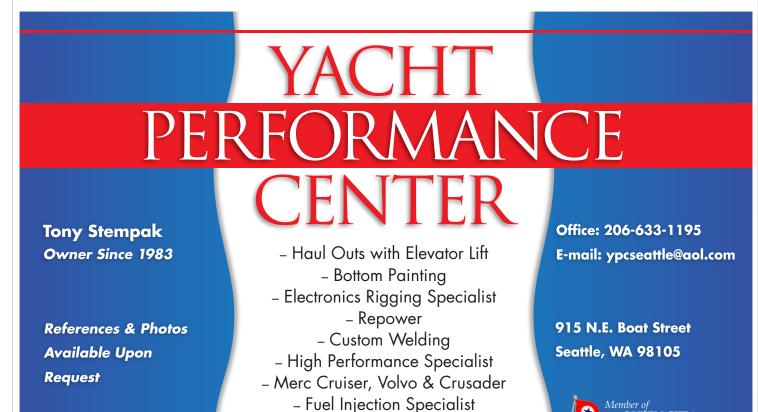
#### **DOCKS DOIN'S**

#### NEW TABLE SAW FOR CUMMINGS HALL

The Docks Committee carefully evaluated the table saw in Cummings Hall. The blade guard

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was missing and the supporting metal casting broken. The fence had become very difficult to use. These deficiencies convinced us that we might be able to improve the safety and usability of the table saw made available to our members.

Safety was particularly important. Anybody with a key card has access to the power tools in Cummings Hall. Certainly most members in the club cannot claim any long history of experience or training with a table saw.

The new table saw is a Sawstop model saw. These saws are used in many commercial shops, and are especially popular in school shop classes and other settings where a wide variety of people have access to a table saw.

A built-in system permits the saw blade to detect contact with objects (such as a human finger) that interrupt an electrical field surrounding the blade. When the saw blade senses a finger (the company demonstrates this feature by using a hot dog), a brake stops the blade in milliseconds. There are hundreds of cases where this feature has made the difference between a nicked finger and a major amputation.

Members are asked to refrain from removing the blade guard, etc., when using the new saw.

> -Chuck Gould, Docks Committee Chair



#### HOUSE COMMITTEE

E xcess sweaters, coats, etc., are still gathering in the coat room. Please take time to stop by and see if any of these items belong to you. At the end of April all items not picked up will go to Goodwill.

It has been brought to my attention that the galley is being

used during the week and not being cleaned up after being used. That also goes for the BBQ. It is being used and not cleaned up after use and covers put back on. The galley and BBQ can be used by all but it makes it a lot easier if cleaned up after use for the next group using the galley.

-Jim Damery, House Committee



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#### QUEEN CITY YACHT CLUB 2016 Centennial Opening Day "A Great Escape" Daily Highlights

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wednesday, May 4, 20 5:00 - 10:00 PM 6:30 - 8:00 PM	Main Floor Bar Opens Fresh Grilled Salmon Dinner by Chef Willie, \$15
7:00 – 10:00 PM	Shrimp or Chicken Salad, Chef Willie, \$10 Karaoke with Captain Mark Vanderwall
Thursday, May 5, 2016 8:00 - 10:00 AM 5:00 – 10:00 PM 6:00 – 8:00 PM	Breakfast by Chef Willie Main Floor Bar Open Brat Fry and All the Fixin's, (Captain Butch's Celebration of Life) \$10
Friday, May 6, 2016 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM 11:00 AM – Midnight 6:00 – 8:00 PM 8:00 – 11:30 PM	Breakfast & Lunch by Chef Willie (Menu) Main Floor Bar Open Gourmet French Dip/Slaw/Fry Sandwiches by Mike Cochran, \$10 Dinner, Dinner & Dancing: 50's Music, \$8 with Dinner Purchase, \$10 at the Door Music & Dancing 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor to Let's Dance DJ (Music from the 50's) Children welcome until 9:00 PM
Saturday, May 7, 2016 8:00 – 1:30PM 11:00 AM – Midnight 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM 6:00 – 8:00 PM 8:00 – 11:30 PM	Buffet Breakfast by Willie Main Floor Bar Open Lunch Bunches may be ordered from Willie American Gourmet Hamburgers with all the Fixin's& Side Dishes by the Scott Carlisle & Intermediate Members,\$10 Dinner, Dinner & Dancing \$18.00, Dancing only \$10 at the Door Music & Dancing 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor by Let's Dance DJ (Music from the 30's & 40's) Children welcome until 9:00 PM
Sunday, May 8, 2016 8:30 – 11:00 AM 8:30 – 11:00 AM	Main Floor Bar Open Hearty Breakfast: Cheesy Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Thick-cut Bacon/Sausage Links, Spinach & White Cheddar Strata biscuits & Gravy, Fruit Captain Mac Stocklin with the Tarettes, \$10
Friday and Saturday, 8:0 Sunday, 8:00 AM until N	-
Bar: Tickets are sold at machine.	the bar. Prices will be listed. There are soft drinks available from vending

Meals: Individual meal tickets are available at the main ticket table except those prepared by Chef Willie which will be <u>paid cash directly</u> to him. Cash, check, Visa & MasterCard.

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## THE CENTENNIAL CORNER

#### QUEEN CITY YACHTSMEN BUILD NEW HOME Written by Past Commodore G. E. Richardson, in 1918

hat an energetic, enterprising bunch of yachtsmen can do when they all put their shoulders to the wheel has been demonstrated by the experience of the Queen City Yacht Club in building their new clubhouse on Lake Union in Seattle.

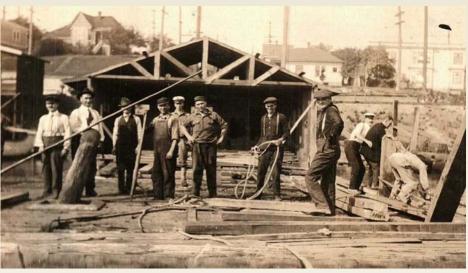
The club was deprived of its old home, which it had under lease from the Port Commission, by the growth of the city and the need of the ground for industrial uses. Not believing that it would be patriotic during the war to spend much money on a new home, but in need of quarters, the club decided to build a home themselves. They accordingly secured a convenient site on the shore of Lake Union and acquired a large scow, 24 x70 in area, upon which to set the structure. The first thing to do was to repair this scow and put it in good shape, so the members set aside several Sundays during the past two months and met in force at the site and did the work themselves.

They took six-foot cedar logs and put them under the scow to make it buoyant. Then they proceeded to erect a temporary home on one end of the scow. The structure built is 20 X 24 ft. in size and will do as a meeting place for the club until after the war, when the entire float will be covered by a larger clubhouse sufficient for the club's permanent needs.

Thus, in two or three Sundays of effort, the members, by doing the work themselves, have provided a temporary home and the basis for a permanent one at virtually no cost to themselves. They have had a lot of fun out of it at the same time, as the accompanying pictures showing the yachtsmen at work and play will



prove. Their experience may give an idea to some of the other coast clubs in the matter of securing a home.



Volunteers put logs under an 'old scow' to create the floating clubhouse



OOPS! All gave some, some gave their all when constructing the floating clubhouse

## Tarettes' Corner

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

#### IT'S THE YACHTING SEASON!!!

I hope you enjoy the many Opening Day fun events. There are lots of activities for Opening Day. Join us for the Seattle Yacht Club Ladies Play this year. It's the *Wild Wild West* on Wednesday, May 4th, at 10:30 AM. We will car pool from QCYC at 9:45. Please join us. It is a fun time!

#### THE TARETTE CENTENNIAL COOKBOOK WILL BE ON SALE DURING OPENING DAY WEEK!

Get your Tarette Centennial Cook Books. They are great and have been selling! This book has time-tested QCYC recipes with great comfort foods and great entertaining recipes. This book is quality and a great addition to your cookbook collection. An excellent book for the boat, compact and moisture resistant! Give one as a Mothers Day gift! We are selling them for \$20. Find me, Debbie Foote, Margaret Krows or Joanie Preusser. Get yours today!

#### HELP NEEDED

Opening Day Breakfast, Sunday, May 8th, set up and servers and for the breakfast. The breakfast falls on Mother's Day, so we suspect it will be very busy. If you are able to help please call Joanie Preusser at 206 431-9737.

#### TARETTE DOCK PARTY

Saturday, June 4th, is the Annual Tarette Dock Party and Taco & Tequila night. The dock party is a garage sale in which we offer space or a table for \$10 to sell your wares at the club. In addition, when you are spring cleaning and have all those treasures, think of getting a \$10 table to sell your wares! After the sale we will have the best tacos!!! Volunteers are needed to mark items for the sale and servers for the Taco night. If you would like to help, contact me at 206 979-1870.

—Becky Garvie, Tarette President

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#### VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The May WIC Luncheon will be at Edmonds Yacht Club on Thursday, May 12th. The Program is "Dreaming," and the cost is \$20.00. The deadline is May 3rd. Please contact Joanie at <u>jmp-cfp@comcast.net</u> if you are interested. This is the last WIC Luncheon until September.

Opening Day Breakfast is Sunday, May 8th. It is traditionally served by the Tarettes. This is one of the most popular events of Opening Day Weekend. Last year we served about 340 people and this year we are expecting more. We need 16 people for each shift. There are two shifts. Margaret Krows needs help making special napkin holders prior to Sunday. Please contact her if you'd like to help with those. We need volunteers to serve breakfast and clean up. There is a sign up sheet on the 2nd floor of the clubhouse or please contact Joanie on jmpcfp@comcast.net.

#### Happy Boating!

-Joanie Preusser, WIC QCYC Representative Tarette Vice-President



#### **SUNSHINE REPORT**

While vacationing in Maui recently, Rich's and my "sunshine" was heightened by Donna Graddon's friendship and hospitality. While there, a card was sent to Dale and Susie Roberts. I'm happy to report Dale's back surgery was successful! Scott Grimm and Nancy Scherrer received sympathy cards and will continue to be in their Tarettes' and QCYC friends' thoughts and prayers. Lois Stettner's jaw cancer has sadly returned and she will face

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more surgery in mid April. A card of encouragement was sent to her.

"The guardian angels of life sometimes fly so high as to be beyond our sight, but they are always looking down upon us." By Jean Paul Richter

I can be reached at <u>chrismc38@comcast.net</u> if you have health news to share about Tarettes.

-*Christine McCroskey* 

### New Member Correction:

In the February *Tarettes' Corner* we named May McCarthy incorrectly as "Meg." I apologize for not catching the error earlier. Welcome again, May.

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-Margaret Krows, Tarettes Membership Chair

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#### PETER M. GRIMM, MD

#### 1952 - 2016

Captain Peter Grimm, D.O., crossed the bar on February 20th of this year at the age of sixty-three. He worked joyfully (and determinedly) for years while under treatment for heart and kidney insufficiencies, and had an array of other chronic disorders. Peter was the fifth of nine boys born to Dr. Huber and Georgia Grimm, who were pillars of Queen City for many years. Peter was number 191 when he passed and was one of four Grimm sons to join Queen City. As one can imagine in a household raising nine energetic boys, there was never a dull moment in the Grimm family!

Raised on Capitol Hill with other large Catholic families of the 50s, Peter developed a lifelong sense of the joy of the loyalty and inclusion that derive from team play. Peter, like the other Grimm boys, attended St Joseph's school through eighth grade and then Seattle Prep for High School. He never forgot the Jesuits who mentored him through his teen years at Seattle Prep ('70) and Seattle University ('74). Peter then was accepted into the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine (now Midwestern University). It was during this period that he met Dawn Winters and her daughter, Robyn Bell. They married and became a family in 1978 five months before he began his internship at Eastmoreland General Hospital in Portland.

His experiences during his internship led him to pursue a residency in Radiation Oncology at UCLA, where Peter said people much smarter than he taught him a lot. He was thrilled to be accepted into the Swedish Hospital Tumor Institute Group, and returned to his beloved Seattle in 1985. Peter was an explorer and innovator with an entrepreneurial spirit, and the Tumor Institute gave him leeway to execute his ideas. Peter was a private practice clinical radiation oncologist who became an international leader, educator, entrepreneur and inventor in the field of prostate cancer. He collaborated nationally and internationally with academic physicians and other clinical doctors to conduct research into the diagnosis and outcomes of prostate cancer treatment. His specialty was brachytherapy, a minimally invasive surgery that plants tiny short-lived radioactive seeds next to cancer cells. Introduced in Europe, he and his partner Dr. John Blasko of the Swedish Hospital Tumor Institute Group brought the concept to the United States and pioneered its development and implementation in the US in the late 80's. In 2012, he left the group to establish the Prostate Cancer Treatment Center. Over his lifetime he personally treated more than 6,000 patients and trained more than 6,000 physicians in the procedure.

He travelled throughout the world giving lectures, training, and consulting with policy makers in countries such as Japan, Australia, Canada, Great Britain, Mexico, Argentina and Spain. In addition to the numerous articles he published in scientific journals, he was the lead author of the *Prostate Cancer Treatment Book*, a handbook for patients with chapters written by an international expert in each treatment choice. He founded the Prostate Cancer Treatment Foundation, whose mission and purpose is to help patients make informed choices about treatment. It allows patients to compare 10 -year outcomes of every treatment plotted against his cancer stage utilizing the results of every article on cancer treatment published worldwide. He was constantly developing improvements in diagnosis and treatment, and over the years was granted three patented improvements which are in use today.

Though his accomplishments were admired and respected, Peter always attributed his success to the support, inspiration, and compassion given him along the way. He said, "I learned you didn't have to know how to do everything, you just needed to know someone who did." He was also open about his own health struggles, because as he said, "It isn't about the falling down, it's about the getting up."

He was also known as a dedicated fisherman and was a leader and activist dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of Pacific Northwest wild salmon. When he returned to Seattle and his love of boating and fishing, Peter noticed a degradation of the fishing fields. He connected with other concerned people and began raising salmon fry in incubators on at his cabin on Hood Canal. He joined a consortium of fishermen, scientists, tribes, government entities and citizens known as the Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group and later was honored to be on the board of Long Live the Kings, an organization that seeks to coordinate the efforts of salmon groups across the state.

He stayed connected to his Osteopathic colleagues, and felt privileged to be named to the board of The Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences, a new medical school starting up in Yakima. One of his proudest moments of 2015 was the graduation of the school's first contingent of medical students. Right up to the end he was continuing to build his network of "smarter people."

Captain Grimm joined Queen City in 1997. He served as our Fleet Surgeon from 2011 through 2014. In the 60s, as a "Queen City kid," he was elected Commodore of the QC Junior Yacht Club, an active organization for many of the club's teenagers. Peter owned fishing boats but also spent a lot of time on *Gee Gee* with brothers Scott and Pat.

A large part of Peter's life and legacy was to encourage the dreams and passions of those he befriended along the way. He will be sorely missed by his patients, his staff, his colleagues, his friends, all the young people he counselled and his many friends at Queen City.

He was predeceased by his infant daughter, Adrienne; his nephew, Christian Montegut; his father, Dr. Huber K. Grimm and his mother, Georgia Grimm. He will be remembered with laughter and tears by his wife, Dawn; his son, Justin; his daughter, Robyn (Omar) Vera; his three grandchildren, Daniel, Malik, and Alexandra; his daughter-ofthe-heart, Jackie Gonsier; his eight brothers Thomas (Gari), Robert Grimm, SJ, Larry (Barb), Gerry (Betsy), Chris (Wendy), Paul, Scott (Karin), Patrick (Nancy), one sister; Suzie (Monte) and his mother-of-the-heart Mrs. Roy (Louise) Beaumont, his nephews and nieces and a large extended clan.

#### **ED (BUTCH) SCHERRER**

#### 1943 - 2016

Captain Butch Scherrer slipped quietly away for the last time on March 28th at the age of seventy-two. He was born September 9, 1943, in Denver, Colorado. As a newborn, Butch was adopted by Leo Anthony and Bernice Scherrer and was brought to their family estate in North Beach, Seattle, in that fall of 1943. There he joined an older brother, Leo Anthony Scherrer, Jr., and was later joined by a younger sister, Nancy. Butch and his siblings grew up in the home on North Beach – which back in 1940s and 50s was on the edge of what was then known as "the country" – overlooking Puget Sound and close to Ballard. This was a wonderful adventuresome environment and his brother Leo and his family still live there today.

Butch went to elementary school through the eighth grade at St. Alphonsus Parish School in Ballard and then graduated from Bishop Blanchet High School in 1961. After high school he joined the National Guard, where he served for four years from 1961 to 1965. In 1961, political tensions were at a boil with the Bay of Pigs crisis in Cuba. He was told that his division or another division was likely to be sent to Cuba - but fortunately the crisis was averted and his division was never sent. In the National Guard Butch was a chef - and it was there that he discovered his lifelong passion for cooking - particularly for large groups. Recognizing his talent, the National Guard transferred him to the Presidio in California to cook for the officers stationed there. After discharge from the National Guard, Butch came back to Seattle and attended Everett Community College, followed by the University of Washington for four years.

Upon graduation, Butch joined the family business in 1971. The Leo A. Scherrer Co. was a manufacturer's representative business started by his father in 1924. Together with his brother Leo, he guided the Leo A. Scherrer Company to become the largest manufacturer's representative business in the Northwest - serving over 600 retailer accounts in 13 states. Butch and the company specialized in representing lines of toys and later expanded into sporting goods and lawn furniture. The idea was that even in the hardest economic times, people will still buy toys for their children. Butch was the consummate salesman - he just loved people and loved to sell. He regularly traveled from the Western states to New York City, and later in his career made frequent trips to Hong Kong and China. Butch continued to work until his 72nd birthday and retired just last September, 2015, after 45 years in business. Butch was fortunate to have had some of his best-ever years in business in his last years before retiring – calling on Costco, Fred Meyer and Kroger - which was a feat that made him very proud.

Above all else, family is what mattered most to Butch. He met his future wife Nancy on a QCYC Christmas Cruise in December, 1976 – on a sly matchmaking blind date quietly arranged by lifelong friends Dan and Carol Olason. Smitten from the get-go, Butch married Nancy in June, 1978. Butch immediately inherited a family – stepsons Brett and Matt, who were 10 and 6 at the time. Not ones to waste much time, Butch and Nancy gave birth to their son Jake in August of 1979. Now he had a team of three boys! Butch's generosity and patience with his family knew no limits. They traveled to Disneyland, Hawaii, Desolation Sound, the Gulf Islands and the San Juans. If there was a little league baseball game or youth event of any kind, you could always count on Butch being there and cheering his boys on with genuine enthusiasm. Nancy was the love of Butch's life - they enjoyed a wonderful marriage of 38 years. They were the consummate team, through the good times and hard times, through the litany of surprises and changes that life seems to bring one's way over the decades. Butch was always there for everyone. He loved to cook - he loved to entertain - he loved to host. He loved and always surrounded himself with his family for every holiday, birthday, Mother's Day, family reunion and any other event that he could creatively come up with.

Butch also loved boating. His first boat was a 19' SeaRay. He trailered that boat to the Nanaimo ferry in Canada – and from there he and his family headed up to Quadra Island and then on to Desolation Sound with Dan and Carol Olason and their young children. It was a trip filled with adventure and memories – and it was on this first big adventure that the love of boating and being out on the open water really took its lifelong hold on Butch. This also began a 20 year run where he, Nancy, family and friends would boat to every UW Husky football game. This brought Butch tremendous joy – and was a Saturday ritual that one could set their watch by: depart 9 AM, kickoff 12:30, post-game food, beverages and visiting – then back to his home with his family after another great outing.

Butch was fortunate to have 6 grandchildren – 5 boys and 1 girl from all 3 sons: Max, Kellen, Peyton, Spencer, Colton, and Casen. He and Nancy loved spending time with their grandchildren – and were always game for whatever trip or adventure they could go on. Hawaii, Tahiti, Bora Bora, Disneyland, the Gulf Islands and the San Juans, were frequent and favorite destinations. Butch and Nancy always showed up at grandchildren's little league games, plays, music – whatever and wherever the event might be.

Butch loved Queen City Yacht Club and joined in 1986. He achieved life member status and was #103 when he passed. After joining, he and Nancy immediately became very active in the club socially and were very popular. Often attending social functions and cruising with their best friends and fellow QCYC members Dan and Carol Olason. In the early '90s, Butch became the "go-to" member for chairing important events, holiday weekend cruises, Opening Day weekends and many club dinners and social functions!

Butch chaired two Opening Day weekends ('98 and '99) and hosted eight Opening Day weekend dinners, serving his famous "Beer and Brats!" Our April, 2016, *Bilge Pump* (continued) announced that he had volunteered to serve his specialty again during this year's Opening Day Thursday evening dinner!

He chaired a Memorial Day weekend ('95) and three 4th of July weekends ('97,'03 and '10) as well as two New Year's Eve Parties ('96 and '05)!! In addition to all of those chairmanships, Butch chaired and led our 2007 Chet Gibson Lighted Boat Parade - seventeen major chairmanships in all!

No event was too big or daunting for Butch to raise his hand and say "sure, I'll chair that event." He kept a meticulous journal of each and every event with a printed label for each one of the events listed above. Friday lunches or having a drink with friends – QCYC was a true anchor point for Butch.

The Scherrers owned three boats while members of Queen City, the first being the *Mega Toy*, a 32' Uniflite.

Between boats for a brief period of time, Nancy and Butch were on a QCYC cruise over to Winslow on a friend's boat. When the conversation inevitably turned to what might be his next boat, Nancy piped up that buying another boat would be "sheer insanity." And so it was – as they bought the 38' Egg Harbor – named, of course, the *Scherrer Insanity*! Their third boat was the *My Toy*, a 27' SeaRay.

In closing, if there were three words to describe Butch – it would be kind, generous, and optimistic. These were traits that formed the core essence of Butch that he exhibited day in and day out through his wonderful life of 72 years. He was a bright light who will be missed from many of our lives – but he's waiting in heaven ready to cook and throw another big event when it is our time to join him. We will very much miss Butch at Queen City Yacht Club.

#### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

ur membership currently stands at 400 Active Members with four pending members, 12 Intermediate Members, 9 Social Members, 7 Active Life Members and 100 Senior Life Members.

At the March 23rd General Meeting we had 10 initiations: Capt. Kirk Knapp, sponsored by Capt. Dick Dow; Capts. Denny and Megan Stevens, sponsored by Capt. Carl Stevens; Capts. Wayne and Linda Farris, sponsored Capts. Michael and Tamara Hillmann, Capts. Bob and Marcy Pallotta, sponsored by Capts. Kent and Carol Soffel; Capt. Erik Long, sponsored by P/C. Dick McGrew; Capts. Kevin and Laurie Naylor, sponsored by V/C. Dave Bedner; Capts. Vicky and Lisa Snider Pinson, sponsored by V/C. Dave Bedner; Capts. Randall and Gina Sweet, sponsored by Capt. Robert Maruska; Capts. Austin and Anna Jones, sponsored by Capt. Kevin Jones, and Capts. Ian an Janna Macrae, sponsored by P/C Ed Jennerich.

At our April 13th General Meeting we had two initiations: Capts. Geary and Lois Long, sponsored by Heather Brignull and Jim Downar; and Capt. Mark Wehrmeister, sponsored by Capt. Mark Weiss. Welcome aboard to our new members and thanks to their sponsors.

We are currently offering a half price special for full membership at \$2,250.00. This includes an initiation fee of \$1,500.00 and annual membership dues fee of \$750.00. This offer will end soon, as we have reached our full membership count. We are making the special offer not only to have our membership at 400 but to bring in as many members as we can that are on the Life Membership wait list.

Now is a good time for all of us if we have any interested boating potential applicants not to hesitate to contact them and let them know this is probably the last of the special offers for a membership with Queen City Yacht Club for a while. We will do our best to get all inducted by the end of June. Keep in mind that each applicant will need to attend a General Meeting, be approved by the Board and attend their induction before the end of June. With the celebration of our 100 years as a yacht club, this would be a great time for new members to join!

What a great host of events coming our way at Queen City: to mention a few, Opening Day, the 100 year Centennial Celebration and Gala, Memorial Day at the Outstation, July 4th at the Outstation and cruising the South Sound and the San Juan and Gulf Islands. I encourage all to join in and participate in these events.

If you have an interest in helping with the Membership Committee, contact myself or Rear Commodore John Heiber. We appreciate all your ideas and considerations for membership.

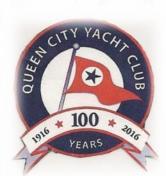
> -Chris Benson, Membership Chairman

#### LOOKING FOR HELP

with Grand XVI Junior Officers' Breakfast — Sunday June 19th!

Please contact Peggie Evans if you are able and willing to help setup, prep, cook, serve or cleanup for this event. Anticipate starting around 7 AM on Sunday morning, June 19th. Thank you! peggievans@yahoo.com.

-Peggie



## 2016 Memorial Day Cruise to Winslow

## Theme: 100 years, from sea to the skies!

## When:

May  $27^{\text{th}}$  to May  $30^{\text{th}}$  - Cruise begins after lunch service at the main station.

### **Program:**

- Games to entertain the young and matured
- (Bring appropriate decorations for dinghy parade, prizes will be awarded)
- Memorial service on Monday at 9:00 a.m.

## **Meals:**

- Breakfast and dinner on the 28th and 29th.

## **Reservations requested –**

Cost -- \$40 for adults and \$25 for children.

Please confirm your participation by May 22<sup>nd</sup> with:

Cap. Gordon Foote @ 425-778-9488 or

Cap. Walt Braithwaite @ 425-641-5251



## 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Yard Sale 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Bar Hours

CHECK US OUT AT THE FRONT OF THE CLUBHOUSE AND SEE ALL THE NEAT STUFF FOR SALE - OR RENT YOUR OWN TABLE AND SELL TREASURES YOU NO LONGER NEED!

> If the weather is inclement – the sale will be moved inside the Clubhouse on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Deck.

### TO RENT A TABLE CONTACT BECKY GARVIE AT 206-979-1870

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## Tequila & Tacos Night A Saturday Night Social June 4<sup>th</sup>

Tasty tequila drinks A fabuloso steak taco bar! <u>No</u> pre-registration required. Olé!



Make the night mild or wild It's up to you!

Bar Opens @ 5 PM Dinner Starts @ 6 PM \$10 per person The Party Never Stops!

For questions contact Becky Garvie | canstyle@aol.com Net Proceeds to benefit QCYC Tarettes



Join the QCYC Race For The Cure Team!

## Join the QCYC Race For The Cure Team!

Join Captain Susie Roberts again this year as we walk in the Komen Puget Sound Race For The Cure!

*What is the Komen Race For The Cure?* This is a fundraiser for Breast Cancer Research and Treatment. 75% of the funds raised remain in Puget Sound; 25% fund National research and fund free mammograms, medical treatment, and education. This is a great cause!

Date- Sunday, June 5, 2016 Place- The Seattle Center What- A 5 K Walk (3.1 miles) in Seattle Time- Walk starts @ 9:15AM Cost- \$50.00 per walker/\$55.00 runner (Sleep in for the Cure- \$50.00) Youth -\$25.00; Survivors - \$35.00 Dogs-\$25.00 additional (Paws for A Cure starts at 9:35AM) No additional fundraising is required, but is voluntary.

In 2009, over 14,000 participants walked and ran, but *QUEEN CITY had the 6<sup>th</sup> largest team!* Help us make a strong showing this year by joining our team and participating in this great community event!

Questions? Call Susie Roberts @ 425 775 6247 or email at <u>dale.susie@frontier.com</u>.

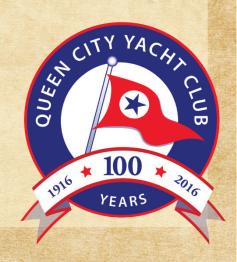
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We invite you to our Centennial Celebration Sunday, May 15, 2016 • 1:00-4:00pm

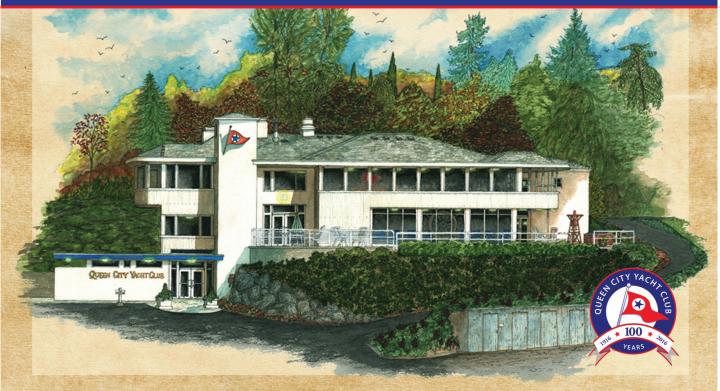
Queen City Yacht Club 2608 Boyer Avenue East Seattle, WA 98102

Light hors d'ouevres will be served, no-host bar Centennial program starts at 2:30pm

*RSVP – By May 6, 2016* office@queencity.org • 206.709.2000



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MAY 2016							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
"Queen City Quire" Rehearsal: 4:00pm		Planning & Finance Meeting 7:00pm Docks Committee Meeting 6:30pm	Opening Day Dinner	Opening Day Dinner	Friday Lunch: 11:00am Opening Day Dinner	Saturday Breakfast 9:00am Opening Day 2016	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
Mother's Day Opening Day Breakfast	QCYC Board Meeting 8:00pm		Wednesday Night Dinner on the 2nd Deck		Friday Lunch 11:00am	Saturday Breakfast 9:00am	
(Tarettes): 9:00am			6:00pm			QCYC Centennial	
"Queen City Quire" Rehearsal: 4:00pm			General Membership Meeting 7:30pm			Gala Celebration (Sandy Werner)	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
QCYC 100th Anniversary Open House (Mark Vanderwall)			Wednesday Night Dinner on the 2nd Deck 6:00pm	SSPS Meeting: 7:00pm	Friday Lunch 11:00am Friday Night Social: Sailor's Social (DeLaunay): 5:00pm	QCYC/SYC IPBA Eagle Harbor Race Breakfast 9:00am	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
Fleet Captain Cruise - Dorothy Dubia 1:00pm			Wednesday Night Dinner on the 2nd Deck 6:00pm		Friday Lunch 11:00am	Memorial Day Cruise to Winslow (Gordy and Debbie Foote)	
			General Membership Meeting 7:30pm			Saturday Breakfast 9:00am	
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	Memorial Day - QCYC Office Closed						